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In re Patent Application of:  
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For: MOLECULAR COMPOUNDS CONTAINING  
PHENOL DERIVATIVES AS CONSTITUENT

Examiner: E. O. Price

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

**Introductory Comments**

In response to the Office Action dated April 6, 2009, finally rejecting claims 1-4 and 16-19, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.